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THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

Hongkong, 26th May, 1896.

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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, JULY 2ND, 1896.

It would appear, from telegrams published

in American papers—not always reliable,

by the way—that the statement that Li

HUNG-CHANG had agreed, on behalf of

China, to allow a Russian railway to be laid

through Manchuria to the coast, originated

with the Berlin correspondent of the

Standard. The Standard is, on the whole,

a thoroughly reliable journal; but, like the

Times, it may sometimes be caught

napping or be misled by correspondents.

The Standard's correspondent does not say,

however, that the Chinese Special Ambassa-

dore denied the conclusion of a treaty with

Russia; that is a statement made by others.

What he says is—"It is reported that Li

HUNG-CHANG has concluded negotiations

with Russia by which, for the concession

of a Russian railway through Manchuria,

Russia consents to China nearly doubling

the import duties on treaty ports. This

statement is made in a later telegram than

the one which declares that Li HUNG-CHANG

had denied that any treaty had been con-

reciprocate by conceding other advantages.

Whether or not Russia has agreed to

make any compensating concession, how-

ever, it is, we believe, true that permission

has been obtained for the Trans-Siberian

Railway to be carried through Manchuria

to the coast. This will involve the con-

cession of a port, if not of the country

through which the line runs. If Russia has

succeeded in obtaining this from her port

of view, very necessary concession, Great

Britain, we believe, will not have a word

to say against it. That Russia should have

an open port on the Pacific is a legitimate

ambition, which should not be obstructed,

so long as she does not aspire to play the

role of the dog in the manger. The establish-

ment by her of a great naval and military

stronghold on the Pacific will of course at

the same time entail upon the British Gov-

ernment the necessity of rendering Hong-

kong absolutely secure from attack and

probably of acquiring another naval station

in the vicinity of Shanghai. In short, not

to mince matters, it will be imperative, if

England is to maintain her position in these

East, to widen the boundaries of this colony

as recently proposed, and to demand from

China the retrocession to us of Chusan.

The time has come for both these demands

to be put forward, and it is to be hoped that

there will be no miserable hesitation at the

Foreign Office in formulating them.

The O. S. S. Co's steamer Myrionide, from

Liverpool, left Singapore on about Monday, the 6th

inst.

At the Alice Memorial Hospital last month

the number of in-patients was 45 and the

total out-patient visits were 1,060. At the

Netherland Hospital the numbers were 27 and

29 respectively.

The water has been pumped out of the hold

of the Glen Calah and she is now discharging

her cargo at the Hongkong and Kowloon

Wharf and Godown Company's wharf at

Kowloon.

When the N. P. steamer Victoria left Theo-

nia on the 4th June there were on board for

the safety of the British flag, two men, now

which was taken 116 days from Java, with a

cargo of sugar for Vancouver.

At the Harbour Master's Court yesterday

four accused the British ship Secora were

sent to goal for four weeks for refusing to

work and one seaman was sent to goal for six

weeks for refusing to work and also for assault

on the officer on the ship.

During the last ten days there was not a

single case of plague in the city. On Tuesday

no case at all was reported from any of the

while yesterday there were only two—one from

Shanklin and one from the harbour. The

total for the year is now 1,116.

Dr. Yernin, whose discovery of a cure for

plague was reported in yesterday's

issue, left yesterday by the Empress of India

for Amoy. We understand that the medical

authorities of Hongkong were anxious to afford

him every facility for testing his remedy, but

at the time he arrived from Saigon there did

not happen to be a plague case in hospital ex-

cept one, and before the next case was

brought in he had left Canton. Now he has

gone to Amoy and before he returns we hope

plague will have disappeared from the colony

altogether, but from a scientific point of view it

will be regrettable if Dr. Yernin has no oppor-

tunity of testing his remedy in Hongkong,

where the tests could be conducted under con-

ditions much better calculated to exclude all

possibility of error than can be the case at

Amoy or Canton.

The following from the Sydney Bulletin

has been sent to us:—"There is a lot of

rumour about the discovery of a cure for

plague. The discovery was made by a

man named Li HUNG-CHANG, who is said to

be a Chinese. He is said to have discovered

the cure while he was in Saigon. He is said

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The discovery of the 25th June says—Our

readers will regret to learn that Mr. George

Brown, for many years in charge of the

British Majesty's Shipping Office at this

office, and formerly of the Colonial Office, has

been obliged to resign his post, having been

appointed to the post of Secretary of the

Colonial Office. Mr. Brown's resignation, we

learn, owing to a failure of his eyesight.

At the Police Court yesterday, before Hon.

Commander W. C. H. Hastings, Leonard Yin,

155, Queen's Road West, was summoned for

failing to comply with a notice from the San-

itary Board concerning his house, which he

owns. The case was remanded for the

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## HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

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There is no doubt that great quantities of opium small coins are made in China for introduction into the English and Dutch Settlements of the Far East. I have heard that the attention of the Viceroy of H.K. has been called to the fact that the opium small coins are made in China for introduction into the English and Dutch Settlements of the Far East.

The year 1895 will be remarkable in the annals of China as the year in which her fleet was annihilated by the Japanese, her military reputation shattered, her independence lost to her. Mr. Mansfield's report in last year's report that the natives of Poochow appeared to take no interest in the events passing in the north.

Unfortunately the province of Fukien is a wide land, and it is not possible to connect Poochow with the Canton and Hankow line, which would probably run to the valley of the Min and cross into the Kiang province.

I must begin by pointing out the disadvantages under which we labour. The first of these is that of the Chinese population. The district of which Poochow is the head is a small district, but it is a district of great importance.

But there is another obstacle to the development of commerce here, and that is the lack of roads and a faulty, not to say an utterly rotten and corrupt system of collecting revenue, wherein the vast interests involved are so enormous that nothing short of the most wholesale arrangements of China can set it right.

Trade may be said to be for the benefit of four classes of the community. (1) The consumer, (2) the producer, (3) the exporter, and (4) the importer. In the case of the consumer, the benefit is obvious.

It is not the amount of money which the Native Customs collect, but the manner in which they collect it, that counts. It is the manner in which they collect it, that counts. It is the manner in which they collect it, that counts.

**SHIPPING REPORTS.**  
The British steamer *Memphis*, from Sandakan 27th June, had light breeze and fine clear weather throughout.

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**STATION.**  
Wettest, 29.47  
Tolito, 29.71  
Sagami, 29.71

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**HONGKONG TIDE-TABLE.**  
1st to 8th July.  
High Water. Low Water.

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**VESSELS EXPECTED.**  
The M. M. steamer *Salerno*, with the French mail of the 4th ult., left Singapore on the 30th ult., at 10.30 a.m., and may be expected here on or about Tuesday, on the 7th instant.

**THE AMERICAN MAIL.**  
The C. P. steamer *Empress of Japan* left Vancouver for Hongkong on the 22nd ultimo.

**THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.**  
The C. N. Co's steamer *Chingta*, from Australia, ports, left Port Darwin on the 30th ult., and may be expected here on or about the 9th instant.

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